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(Stumpage Transactions in the
Northern Rocky Mountain Region in 1943

The figures on stumpage prices for 1943 given in the enclosed tables were compiled from reports solicited by the Forest Service in cooperation with the Bureau of the Census of the Department of Commerce. They represent reports of saw-timber transactions aggregating 655,700,000 feet log scale showing a value of $1,922,629. This is a decrease from 1942 when transactions of 1,929,467,000 feet with a value of $5,751,106 were reported. Stumpage transactions for western redcedar poles and miscellaneous forest products are also reported.

For the first time since 1927 larch-Douglas-fir led all species in volume of transactions, but western white pine continued to lead in total value. Larch-Douglas-fir transactions have increased in volume each year since 1939 to 226,227,000 in 1943 (34.5 percent of the total saw-timber transactions). The average value of $1.91 per thousand feet is the highest recorded for larch-Douglas-fir since 1922. Ponderosa pine transactions came to 189,844,000 feet (29.0 percent of the total) with an average value of $3.13 per thousand, a decrease of 18 cents from 1942. Western white pine transactions came to 83,642,000 feet (12.8 percent of the total) with an average value of $7.55 per thousand, an increase of 49 cents over 1942, and the highest on record.

Data on stumpage prices have been collected by the Division of Forest Products since 1912. In 1936 a mimeographed report entitled "Stumpage Prices Since 1912" was prepared and sent to many of the firms and individuals who are receiving this current enclosure for 1943. This enclosure should be inserted following page 98 in the report referred to, if it is desired to maintain the continuity of the statistics.

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TABLE 32
1943

STUMPAGE TRANSACTIONS BY AGENCIES AND SPECIES - ALL ON SAW-TIMBER BASIS

Montana, Northern Idaho, and Northeastern Washington

Species and Product	U. S. Forest Service		U. S. Indian Service		Montana Lumbermen		N. Idaho & N.E. Wash. Lumbermen		State of Montana		State of Idaho	
	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M
SAW TIMBER	M feet	$	M feet	$	M feet	$	M feet	$	M feet	$	M feet	$
Western white pine	28,375	7.21			267	5.75	30,669	8.38			24,331	6.90
Ponderosa pine	62,262	3.18	30,792	3.36	20,821	2.92	33,709	2.69	28,700	3.54	13,560	2.89
Larch-Douglas-fir	80,894	1.93	4,485	1.34	33,547	1.80	45,416	1.75	35,100	2.63	26,785	1.41
Western redcedar	1,546	1.48			204	2.50	473	2.88				
Engelmann spruce	16,770	3.07			469	1.99	1,793	1.67	2,120	3.00		
Mixed timber, mainly grand fir & hemlock	17,172	.70	23	.55			1,799	1.84			6,578	1.08
Lodgepole pine	1,070	2.02			102	2.68			30	2.60		
Douglas-fir (Eastern Montana)	1,565	2.42			1,259	2.61						
Flat-rate softwoods	739	1.76			50,768	1.72	51,022	1.54				
Cottonwood					15	3.00	470	1.00				
Totals and averages, all species	210,393	3.00	35,300	3.10	107,452	2.00	165,351	3.11	65,950	3.04	71,254	3.54
MISCEL. PRODUCTS ON SAW-TIMBER BASIS												
Props and lagging, lodgepole & Douglas-fir					90	5.99						
Cordwood, all species	25	.50					25	1.50				
Western redcedar poles and piling	2,887	13.68					4,993	7.94			2,519	10.48
Totals and averages	2,912	13.56			90	5.99	5,018	7.91			2,519	10.48
Grand total and averages, all species	213,305	3.15	35,300	3.10	107,542	2.01	170,369	3.25	65,950	3.04	73,773	3.77

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SUMMARY OF STUMPAGE TRANSACTIONS BY AGENCIES AND SPECIES - ALL ON SAW-TIMBER BASIS

Montana, Northern Idaho, and Northeastern Washington

Species and Product	Total of all transactions			Price range all sales - Saw-timber basis	
	Amount Log Scale	Total Value	Price Per M	Low	High
	M feet	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
SAW TIMBER					
Western white pine	83,642	631,249	7.55	1.00	10.05
Ponderosa pine	189,844	593,630	3.13	.50	5.50
Larch-Douglas-fir	226,227	432,212	1.91	.50	5.00
Western redcedar	2,223	4,159	1.87	.50	3.00
Engelmann spruce	21,152	61,726	2.92	.50	3.85
Mixed timber, mainly grand fir & hemlock	25,572	22,548	.88	.50	2.75
Lodgepole pine	1,202	2,510	2.09	1.50	3.65
Douglas-fir (Eastern Montana)	2,824	7,066	2.50	1.50	4.00
Flat-rate softwoods	102,529	167,014	1.63	.36	6.12
Cottonwood	485	515	1.06	1.00	3.00
Totals and averages, all species	655,700	1,922,629	2.93		
MISCEL. PRODUCTS ON SAW-TIMBER BASIS					
Props and lagging	90	539	5.99	5.99	5.99
Cordwood, all species	50	50	1.00	.50	1.50
Western redcedar poles and piling	10,399	105,546	10.15	1.60	18.21
Totals and averages	10,539	106,135	10.07		
Grand total and averages, all species	666,239	2,028,764	3.05		

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STUMPAGE TRANSACTIONS BY AGENCIES AND SPECIES - MISCELLANEOUS FOREST PRODUCTS

Montana, Northern Idaho, and Northeastern Washington

Species and Product	U. S. Forest Service		U. S. Indian Service		Montana Lumbermen		N. Idaho & N.E. Wash. Lumbermen		State of Montana		State of Idaho	
	Amount	Price Per Unit	Amount	Price Per Unit	Amount	Price Per Unit	Amount	Price Per Unit	Amount	Price Per Unit	Amount	Price Per Unit
		Dollars		Dollars		Dollars		Dollars		Dollars		Dollars
Western redcedar poles:												
Linear-feet basis, linear feet	986,336	.0400					1,597,875	.0248			806,000	.0328
Piece basis, number pieces	23,095	1.71					39,947	.99			20,150	1.31
Props and lagging, linear feet					107,736	.005						
Cordwood, all species, number cords	50	.25					50	.75				
Christmas trees, number	324,297	.050							163,618	.056		

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TABLE 31
1942

STUMPAGE TRANSACTIONS BY AGENCIES AND SPECIES - ALL ON SAW-TIMBER BASIS

Montana, Northern Idaho, and Northeastern Washington

Species and Product	U. S. Forest Service		U. S. Indian Service		Montana Lumbermen		N. Idaho & N.E. Wash. Lumbermen		State of Montana		State of Idaho	
	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M	Amount Log Scale	Price Per M
SAW TIMBER	M feet	$	M feet	$	M feet	$	M feet	$	M feet	$	M feet	$
Western white pine	64,752	6.96			1,361	6.63	201,479	7.18	255	6.40	36,351	6.61
Ponderosa pine	166,011	3.85	57,721	3.08	34,268	2.75	63,407	2.66	33,565	3.26	17,834	2.52
Larch-Douglas-fir	62,253	1.89	6,012	1.38	42,070	1.51	43,997	1.41	35,510	2.20		
Western redcedar	1,886	1.41					1,519	1.47				
Engelmann spruce	3,456	2.13			14,221	2.03	480	2.00	1,115	3.00		
Mixed timber	22,120	.97	239	.50	110	1.05	88,441	.40			33,681	1.11
Lodgepole pine	1,120	2.00			325	2.16						
Douglas-fir (Eastern Montana)	792	2.27			1,675	2.09						
Flat-rate softwoods	3,733	2.79			859,310	2.12	28,248	2.25				
Cottonwood	50	1.00			100	1.25						
Totals and averages, all species	326,173	3.84	63,972	2.91	953,440	2.12	427,571	4.16	70,445	2.73	87,866	3.67
MISCEL. PRODUCTS ON SAW-TIMBER BASIS												
Props and lagging, lodgepole & Douglas-fir	276	3.38										
Cordwood, all species	100	1.04					590	1.28				
Western redcedar poles and piling	3,421	9.39					11,674	7.51			6,847	9.35
Totals and averages	3,997	8.73					12,264	7.21			6,847	9.35
Grand total and averages, all species	329,970	3.90	63,972	2.91	953,440	2.12	439,535	4.24	70,445	2.73	94,713	4.08

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	Amount Log Scale	Total Value	Price Per M	Low	High
	M feet	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
SAW TIMBER					
Western white pine	304,198	2,147,814	7.06	3.00	10.00
Ponderosa pine	372,806	1,233,285	3.31	.80	6.00
Larch-Douglas-fir	189,842	329,070	1.73	.44	4.00
Western redcedar	3,405	4,887	1.44	.50	2.00
Engelmann spruce	19,272	40,503	2.10	.29	3.25
Mixed timber	144,591	94,066	.65	.09	3.00
Lodgepole pine	1,445	2,941	2.04	1.50	3.00
Douglas-fir (Eastern Montana)	2,467	5,299	2.15	1.50	3.00
Flat-rate softwoods	891,291	1,893,066	2.12	.17	5.00
Cottonwood	150	175	1.17	1.00	1.25
Totals and averages, all species	1,929,467	5,751,106	2.98		
MISCEL. PRODUCTS ON SAW-TIMBER BASIS					
Props and lagging	276	933	3.38	3.00	5.88
Cordwood, all species	690	859	1.24	1.04	2.00
Western redcedar poles and piling	21,942	183,766	8.38	1.60	25.60
Totals and averages	22,908	185,558	8.10		
Grand total and averages, all species	1,952,375	5,936,664	3.04		

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	Amount	Price Per Unit	Amount	Price Per Unit	Amount	Price Per Unit	Amount	Price Per Unit	Amount	Price Per Unit	Amount	Price Per Unit
		Dollars		Dollars		Dollars		Dollars		Dollars		Dollars
Western redcedar poles:												
Linear-feet basis, linear feet	1,123,176	.0286					3,735,840	.0235			2,191,000	.0292
Piece basis, number pieces	27,370	1.17					93,396	.94			54,775	1.17
Props and lagging, linear feet	348,000	.0027										
Cordwood, all species, number cords	200	.52					1,180	.64				
Christmas trees, number	186,620	.036							88,862	.042		